

General Directory.

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Religious.
Methodist Church, Rev. C. W. Herley.
Services first and third Sabbath, morning and evening, of each month. Sabbath school every Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.
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Shannondale Scraps.

(Received too late for last week.)

Roads good.

J. W. Patison's school is progressing nicely.

Some few farmers have sold (?) their tobacco.

Wm. Young, of this neighborhood, is quite sick at present.

Miss Ella Bixby is visiting Mrs. James Welch at present.

Rev. Herley filled his appointment at Asbury Sunday last.

R. O. Harris, of Cooper county, was in this vicinity last week.

John Vance, of near this place, made a business trip to Keytesville, Tuesday.

Wm. Easton, of near Pleasant Wood, made a trip in these parts last Sunday.

The Farmers' alliance meets at the Hurt school-house every Saturday evening.

Albert Reich, of Forrest Green, who has been quite sick with pneumonia, we understand, is better.

The la grippe is not so raging as it has been in this community, but it still continues to hold some fast.

M. A. Warhurst, of this place, is going to Salisbury next week for the purpose of learning photography under R. B. Crowder.

We understand that L. J. Harris is intending to start for Kansas City for the purpose of clerking for the firm of Holbrook & Stevens.

Hepr.

Pee Dee.

(Received too late for last issue.)

The frogs are croaking in the branches and the wild flowers are blooming in the woods.

T. J. Litter is just recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia.

Jack Tate is very low and his recovery doubtful. He has pneumonia.

Wm. Prather will go to Hardin, Missouri, this week to seek his fortune.

E. B. Welch, of this place, still continues to hold his "grip."

Wm. Cage has been quite ill with grippe and pneumonia, but at present is thought to be safely on his "pegs."

Sheriff Anderson and James Ward were in the neighborhood the fore part of last week. They had one prisoner with them by the name of L. A. Grippe, and it is to be hoped that they landed their prisoner in jail for we are sure no one in this country will bail him.

Noticing in a recent issue the mention of a bright little student in Prairie View school, we take the liberty to mention one of similar rank in the school in district No. 6-55-17. The one we refer to is Miss Maggie B. Chapman, who in reading has advanced in the series from the 1st to the 5th in seven months, and will now doubtless excel even many teachers in that branch. Well advanced in arithmetic, speaks the English language after the usages of our best grammarians, thoroughly understands descriptive geography, has completely mastered McGuffey's revised speller and writes a beautiful hand. This little miss is just eight years old. We would be glad to hear from others whose schools have students who deserve special mention—as a matter of encouragement.

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SOME people may not know it but the treasurer of the United States is not required to give bond.

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To the Medical Fraternity.

WRITTEN IN REPLY TO DR. G. M. DEWEY'S ARTICLE ON THE DEVICES OF CHARLATANS OR THE "BLACK ART" IN MEDICINE.

Having noticed an article in last week's COURIER in which Dr. G. M. Dewey seems to take special delight in heaping vituperation or general abuse and much ridicule upon the medical profession, I have concluded to make a few comments:

From Dr. Dewey's standpoint the majority of the medical profession are either liars, fools or medical frauds. The fact is, the "learned, eccentric and comic" doctor seems to be afflicted with "doctorphobia" so complicated with a sore head and a sour stomach, which makes him very strabismic or cross-eyed which would of course make him see things in a very different light from the common run of doctors, and as a learned disciple of Esculapius, in Illinois, said that vituperation or general abuse, in however elegant language, is not to be taken as facts, nor does dogmatic assertion, sarcasm, ridicule and machine poetry, however comically rendered, bring conviction to the reader.

For a number of years, to my knowledge, this deluded doctor has done nothing but heap abuse upon the medical profession, of which he claims to be a member.

The practice of medicine, he says, is a miserable humbug—that drugs have no virtue. I think I can truly say that with this "eccentric, learned, good and comic doctor," medicine has always been a humbug—a delusion. Yet denouncing medicine as a humbug, is it not strange that he has the cheek and audacity to continue to humbug suffering humanity, simply for the filthy lucre he may wring from his helpless and confiding patients?

One great hobby this learned doctor particularly likes to dwell upon is going to medical societies. Really, does he suppose, for one moment, that any one would derive any knowledge from the abusive invectives heaped upon the medical profession he is in the habit of producing and reading as medical essays? I should say not. With the hundreds of first-class medical journals flooding the country, filled with select medical matter, treating upon all the diseases to which flesh is heir to, giving the experience in diagnosis and treatment of disease by the most learned men in the profession, it would be far better that a doctor should stay at home, read his journals, study his text-books and attend to his patients.

It is a very rare thing to see a Brunswick doctor at the Chariton County Medical society. Are the doctors who reside in that town quacks, scoundrels and fools? Are they under a cloud? I dare say that the Brunswick physicians are as honorable, learned, ethical and successful in the practice of medicine as any other body of men in the state. I honor first-class medical societies. They are a necessity created for the purpose of reading and discussing medical subjects, that, by contact, we may become brighter, but like all live bodies, it has its parasites. When conducted properly, the society is a source of learning and a genuine benefit to the doctor, but when turned into a mutual admiration society, and conducted by circles and inner circles, it becomes a nuisance. From time immemorial the healing art has been practiced by all nations and tribes—from the crude concoctions of the ancient savage, the progress of medicine has been onward and upward, until to-day it shines forth as one of the brightest stars in the galaxy of science and art. Men of brains and brawn have climbed its dizzy heights until they have inscribed their names upon the highest pinnacles of fame's proud temple—beacon like—reflecting their light to all parts of the world, that suffering humanity may be benefited thereby.

Learned and studious doctors have no time to indulge in flash wit and machine poetry. Their patients need their time and attention, and a doctor had better go "early and often and stay late," if he can assist his suffering patient, which is often the case, than to neglect them and let them die for want of attention.

In an extract from the doctor's essay we have the following: "But alas! with all the honor, reverence and veneration paid to him (the doctor) is often found to be a man of a very low grade at that—we frequently find him vigorously engaged in besmirching his neighbors' reputa-

tion and deceiving the laity." Great scott! doctor, do you refer to yourself? Surely, you must, as you seem to have a corner on all such business. I don't know of any one who pretends to compete with you.

There is a doctor in our town who always prefers to act the clown. Plays cards all night, drinks whisky by the glass, and is generally known as a rabid —

Another great hobby which almost throws this doctor into fits is what he calls the "specialty" business. I will say that almost every doctor of learning has arrived at the conclusion that the domain of medicine is so wide that it is almost impossible for anyone mind to grasp only a small portion and do it justice, though I do not believe that any doctor should be a narrow-minded specialist. He should first be a general practitioner so as to become conversant with diseases in general and understand their bearings on special diseases. There are several doctors in the county, and in fact, all over the country, doing a general practice but who make a specialty of some particular branch of medicine and give the larger part of their study to that special department. A doctor recently practicing at Dalton, also several at Brunswick, make a special study of surgery in their general practice. Are they all quacks and fools? I give special study to diseases of the eye, ear and throat, in connection with a general practice. Have taken special courses on those diseases, under the most learned men in the profession and have my certificate or diploma of proficiency to treat those diseases. Of course I am young in the cause, having only given five or six years to the special study of the eye, ear and throat, but like all young things, expect to grow, and think it unfeeling and cowardly to tread on my toes. However, I shall continue to study and treat those diseases especially in my general practice until I see fit to do otherwise. Dr. D. to the contrary, notwithstanding—

"Old doctors' muse on wisdom past, Or tattle on in blunders to the last,"

Any doctor who claims to know as much about a subject that he has never given special study, as one who has, is either a liar, knave or fool—or all of them.

"Soliciting patronage is a common custom of low-grade doctors. Of course, gentlemen never do this. A layman of any raising would scorn such a sneak."

Well, I don't know about that, but I do know that I never made any contract with the sheriff of the county to do his family practice free of charge in exchange for the jail practice. Doctor's in glass houses should not throw stones.

But I have written enough and will only add that whenever a doctor gets so bigoted, vain and conceited as to think that all others who do not agree with him on medicine, religion or politics

Should hunt some secluded spot, And stick his head in the mire to rot.

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THERE are many suspicions that need crushing in the bud. We fancy that our friend is cool to us; we suspect our neighbor of having spoken ill of us. Most likely we are mistaken, and in any case, we could not profitably search into the matter. Our trust in our friend, or our own self-respect, should lead us to put away all such thoughts, to abandon such suspicion. Some one, perhaps, has dropped a poisonous word of scandal into our ears. Let us banish it from our thoughts with scorn.

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A Boy's Composition on History.

When some bald headed old college professor writes a story of something that he don't know nothing about only what he has read in some old gograpy they call it his-story and everybody believes it, but when sum female woman writes a story about sumthin that she does know nothin about they don't call it her story but they call it a novel and everybody says tis a blamed lie. I don't believe in histry but I have got to study it for teacher says that I have got to git an education or git a lickin.

There is a good many kinds of histry and each one is a little worse than the rest of em. There is anshunt histry and natrual histry and histry of united states and histerics; anshunt histry tells about old maids and old men and old folks that are ded and a good many more that ought to be ded—histry of united states tells about the country we live in and the capital at washington and the war and a lot of other things; there is another histry of united states which tells about folks that have got married and when one dies the other one is called a widder but when one runs away and leaves the other she is called a grass widder because she don't feel sorry but she feels green.

Natural histry tells about beasts and birds and creepin things. I have got to write a composition about histry and I don't care a darn which kind so I will write about natural histry of trees.

Trees grow out of the ground, on the roots they grow in the ground. Sum trees blow out in the spring and the blows are called blossoms and some trees blow out when the wind blows like a hurycan but when the wind blows a tree out it stays out. trees are very useful for boys to climb. If there wasn't no trees in the world boys would have to climb telegraf poles which would be a grate clamity.

There is a good many kinds of trees, some are called apple trees some are called chestnut trees some are maple trees and some axle-trees. Appletrees grow in the orchard and have green apples on em in the summer and the apples have bellyake in em—chestnut trees have chestnuts and burrs on em and they grow in the forest. Axletrees grow in the wagon house and don't have any nuts on em only the nuts that hold the wheels on. Maple trees don't have any fruit only some wood birds bld their nests in trees and lay eggs in em a bumblebee builds his nest under a stone and lays an egg over a boys eye they say that trees leave in the spring but they don't they stay all summer trees are very helthy to lie down under when the sun shines hot but when the sun don't shine they ain't good for nothing—the curiouses tree I ever red about is a palm tree the one that bears palm leaf fans on it. It don't grow in the united states where they don't need fans only hot Sunday afternoons in the summer but it grows in Africa where it is so hot that bumblebees have to carry fans to keep their honey from melting and the niggers are too awful poor to buy a fan so they pick em from trees like apples. I know a lot more about trees but I won't tell it.

—Texas Siftings.

MERIT WINS.

We desire to say to our citizens, that for years we have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Dr. King's New Life Pills, Bucklen's Arnica Salve and Electric Bitters, and have never handled remedies that sell as well, or that have given such universal satisfaction. We do not hesitate to guarantee them every time, and we stand ready to refund the purchase price, if satisfactory results do not follow their use. These remedies have won their great popularity purely on their merits. W. C. Gaston & Co., druggists.

It is said that there are more murders committed in the United States than any other country in the world. These murders are the direct result of poverty, vice and lack of religious principle. Yet, the people who should fight all these evils will persist in confining all their charity to "the poor, poor heathen away off yonder in the Sandwich Islands."

Max enters newspaper office. Editor looks up in alarm. "My dear sir," says the visitor, "I have a bench warrant for your arrest." Editor—"Thank God it is no worse. I thought you had a poem."

The Race Question.

We clip the following from the Moberly Optic, a paper printed by a very intelligent Negro. It contains several big grains of truth: A dreadful disaster is daily befalling the Negro; unless checked soon it will utterly damn him. An Optic reporter has recently visited the principal cities of Missouri and Kansas, and to our astonishment found that the majority of the men had quit work entirely and wholly depended on their wives and daughters for support. In hundreds of cases where father's have daughters from eight to twelve years of age, they hire them out in order that they may collect the money to purchase whisky, and pay rent, while their wives bring cold grub and second-hand clothes to clothe them. And yet these honorable men present themselves as leaders, and in many cases they are the most prominent men in our churches and society. They are the first to make war upon a respectable man or woman.

One of the most dangerous things for the race to do is to put a weapon in an ignorant and lazy man's hand. He will soon set torture to torture. The destiny of the Negro hangs on his morals. We have too many Greek and Latin scholars, let us educate our hands, and to do this thrust some of the ignorance from the pulpits and our deacon boards, and school rooms. Let us check the downward train from the pulpit to hell, and lift a light of moral from the school room to the pulpit heaven-land. And the few men who are trying to do something for the race will feel encouraged. But, at present, the danger lies at our feet.

Why They Are Alarmed.

The "hearing" before the ways and means committee is scaring the high tax Republicans, because: Every man who has anything to say in that presence speaks for himself. He has an ax to grind. He wants the tariff raised, or he wants it lowered for his own individual benefit. He is simply trying to fix things so that he may make more money.

Not one of the men who asks for more tariff make any pretense that his request is for anybody's benefit except his own. Not one of them has anything to say about wages. All admit that a tariff is a tax.

The beneficiaries of the tariff reveal, by the demand that they make the fact that tariffs, when laid for protection, are intended to give one industry the right to prey upon all other industries.

Almost every protected manufacturer who has yet appeared before the committee wants more tariff and not less tariff.

In the case of the few who want less tariff on any particular article it is always noticeable that that article is one that they are compelled to buy—not one they have to sell.

This hearing is a magnificent educator. It is not surprising that some of the wet nurses of protection are becoming alarmed and demanding that a star chamber take the place of an open inquiry.—Chicago Herald.

Timely Wisdom.

Young man, listen to the voice of wisdom. Incline thine ear and give heed to her teachings. Dost thou incline toward sportiness, dost thou go abroad in the land at night and "trip the light fantastic," and perambulate with the females? Art thou inclined to make merry with the boys and figure for the substance of the Jack-pot and bank thy shakels against the ever slippery tiger? Dost thou give thy girl of the substance known as taffy? Dost thou suck the mild cheroot, and nibble the light bamboo? Hast thou lost thy grip on the ways that are good, and wrestlest thou with the tricks that are vain? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, if thou hast, thou art in a hard row of stumps, and before many moons, thou wilt find that thy name is pants. Thy friend will look in vain for thee in the haunts of the wicked; only to find thee swimming complacently in the tureen. Harker thou not after the juice of the bug. Steer widely of the vile man with four acres and in the ripened years of thy life thou wilt find thy pockets replete with the collateral of earth, while those who mind not my commandments are partaking of the lunch which is free.

Always generally is healthy, but sometimes it comes from so low a source that it don't do a man any good.

Burdette's Resolve.

I will (try to) answer all my letters.

I will not envy the poor their possessions.

I will wear easier shoes than I did last year.

If I find that I have to wear spectacles I will.

I will endeavor to take more interest in base ball.

I will remember only the good things in the sermon.

When I find I cannot do as I please I will do as I have to.

If I have time I will get up at the ringing of the rising bell.

I will think less about making money and reach out after more of it.

Under any circumstances I will always arise before breakfast.

I will not read one-half the advertisements in the Sunday papers.

I will give up lying, even if I have to sell my trout-rod and dog.

I will not believe anything I read in the newspapers until I see it contradicted the following day.

As much as lieth in me I will live peaceably with the choir, the finance committee, the new committee, and the trustees.

I will try to do without the things which I really do not need and can't get and give the money to the Missionary union.

I will not be foolishly timid or reticent about asking other people to indorse for me; that's altogether quite a different thing.

Josh Billing's Philosophy.

Man is a hily eddikated animal.

Tonguetied wimmin are very skarse and very valuable.

He who acquires wealth dishonestly is too corrupt to enjoy it.

It is a great art lettew be superior to others without letting them know it.

Vain men should be treated as boys treat bladders—blow them up till they bust.

I have alwaz noticed that he is the best talker whose thoughts agree with our own.

All successful flirts have sharp eyes—one eye they keep on you and one on the other phellow.

There iz not only plann but there iz virtue in a harty laff; animals can't laff and devils won't.

Don't never quarrel with a loifer. Skurrillity iz hiz trade; you never kan mak him ashamed, but he iz sure twake you.

Vanty is called a discreditable pashun, but the good things that men do kan oftener be traced to their vanity than tew their virtue.

Don't never phrovey, young man for if you phrovey wrong nobody will forget it, and if you phrovey right nobody will remember it.

Excentricities, when they are natural, are sum indikashun of a superior mind; those who think different from others are apt tew akt different.

Harrison Loves a Union Soldier.

The dismissal of John Tillman from his place in the appraiser's office is probably the most disgraceful violation of its pledges that the present administration has yet exhibited. Tillman was left for dead, with three wounds, on the field of Gaine's Mill. Yet he has lived to see the day when he was to be dismissed from a position which he gained by a successful civil service examination—dismissed without a hearing and without a charge, by an administration whose chief and whose party have exhausted the English language in their protestation of devotion to civil service reform and of burning love for the patriot soldier. Tillman is a Democrat.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

JAMES PITMAN, a prominent farmer and stock raiser of Audrain county, left home on January 14th for Washington, Penn., to be absent ten days, but has not been heard of since. His family and friends are much alarmed, fearing that he has been foully dealt with. There fears grew on receipt of a telegram from relatives stating that he had not been at Washington. He had quite a sum of money on his person when he left home.

Wait till the corn is waving, Annie, sang the future authority, as he was about to take leave of his betrothed; Wait the devil, said Annie's father, as his bunion came in contact with Willie's pants.

Hibbard's Throat and Lung Balsam.